(b) The State Government has taken the following steps:-

(i) Dialogue with ANSAM to bring them to the negotiating table to find an amicable settlement to the issue.

(ii) Efforts were also made to mobilize various Non-Government Organisations (NGO) and civil society groups to impress upon ANSAM to come to a settlement.

(iii) The cases registered against persons, who committed arson, crimes etc. in connection with the economic blockade, are being investigated.

The Central Government is also keeping a close and constant watch on the situation in Manipur and providing all necessary assistance to State Government to deal with the situation.

China's help in eliminating Maoist activities in India

†3131. SHRI P.K. MAHESHWARI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether China has extended any sort of help in doing away with the ongoing Maoist activities in India;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the reaction of the Central Government in this regard; and

(d) the consequential effect on Indo-Nepal relations, if India takes help from China?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SHRIPRAKASH JAISWAL): (a) No, Sir.

(b) to (d) Do not arise.

Kerala's assistance to Tsunami victims of Andaman

†3132. SHRI SU. THIRUNAVUKKARASAR: Wil the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that State Government of Kerala had donated sufficent number of bamboos, for construction of intermediate shelter for earthquake and Tsunami affected people of A&N Islands; and

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